HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1349 By McDonald

A RESOLUTION to recognize Jan Stephens on the occasion of her retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those citizens who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their years of industry; and

WHEREAS, Jan Stephens is one such estimable person who has served with distinction for 50 years as the secretary of First Baptist Church of Gallatin; and

WHEREAS, throughout her illustrious tenure with First Baptist Church, Mrs. Stephens's service has been marked by a loyalty to the pastors, a love for the church, and an unyielding faithfulness to her Lord; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Jan Stephens will be taking a much deserved retirement on June 11, 2006; and

WHEREAS, a native of Portland, Mrs. Stephens is an active and important part of her community, participating in numerous worthy organizations; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Stephens exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, Jan Stephens is perhaps most grateful for the love and support of her husband, Charles Stephens, her children, Glenda and Robert, and her grandchildren, Rachel Brewer, Trent Stephens, and Tyler Stephens; and

WHEREAS, an unfailingly kind woman with a quiet sense of humor, Mrs. Stephens enjoys spending her leisure time traveling, spending time with her family and friends, and creating awe-inspiring 21-dish Sunday dinners; and

WHEREAS, throughout her estimable career, Mrs. Stephens has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of her colleagues; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we extend to Mrs. Jan Stephens our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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